

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant:	deCler et al.	Examiner:	Aaron M. Dunwoody
Serial No.:	10/612,475	Group Art Unit:	3679
Filed:	July 2, 2003	Docket No.:	1945.185US01
Customer No.:	23552	Confirmation No.:	3132
Title:	Coupler and Method of Making Molded Coupler		

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**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

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Commissioner for Patents  
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Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), it is respectfully requested that a three-month extension of time be granted in which to respond to the outstanding Office Action mailed October 12, 2007, said period of response being extended from January 12, 2007 to April 12, 2007.

Please charge our Deposit Account No. 13-2725 in the amount of \$1,020.00 to cover the required extension fee for a large entity.

Additionally, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees as set forth in §§ 38 CFR 1.16 to 1.18 which may be required for entry of these papers or to credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 13-2725.

Respectfully submitted,  
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Date: April 12, 2007

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